

**Lieutenant Governor Garamendi's Statement on
President Obama, Winner of the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize**

SACRAMENTO – Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi today issued the following statement on President Obama winning the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize:

"I want to congratulate President Obama for receiving the Nobel Peace Prize. He has changed the tone of the worldwide debate on international issues including reducing nuclear arms and building better international relations based on mutual desire to improve economic and social conditions in all countries. His policy is changing America's relationship with the world, a change that will foster cooperation and peace."